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"No men living are more worthy to be trusted than those who toil up from poverty, none less inclined to take a touch aught which they have not honestly earned."—Abraham Lincoln.

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Workers in the East Tanning company, Olean, N. Y., recently received a 10 per cent increase in wages.

Nearly 15,000 men and women have been thrown out of work by the shutting down of twenty of the largest shoe factories in Lynn, Mass.

A campaign to create a demand for goods bearing the label of the International Ladies Garment Workers' union is planned by the executive board.

The 7,000 mechanics in the Brooklyn navy yard who were on the point of walking out just before the declaration of war have decided not to strike.

Efforts to attract labor from the United States to Canada from under promise of high wages and exemption from military service have been ordered discontinued by Canadian officials.

PRINTERS PLEDGE LOYALTY.

Offer Their Support to the President in Defense of Nation.

Typographical union No. 6, New York city, in a recent meeting unanimously directed the president of the union to forward the following message:

To the President of the United States:
As Americans, faithful to American ideals of justice, liberty and humanity and confident that the government has exerted its most earnest efforts to keep us at peace with the world, we hereby declare our absolute and unconditional loyalty to the government of the United States and pledge our support to you in protecting American rights against unlawful violence upon land and sea, in guarding the nation against hostile attacks and in upholding international right.

It was also voted that all members representing Typographical union No. 6 as delegates to other bodies be "directed and empowered to use all lawful means within his or her power to such an extent as may be necessary for the adoption of this declaration by the body to which they are delegates."

For Compensation Law.
The Virginia commission appointed by Governor Stuart to prepare a workmen's compensation bill has been organized. Employers and employees are represented on the commission, which will report its findings to the next general assembly.BUY A BOND
FOR
BABY

In several cities the Women's Club and Organizations are carrying on a campaign among their members to buy a United States Liberty Bond for baby. It's a most excellent plan and can be adopted in every city and town in the state.

Bankers and Brokers
Show Fine Patriotism

When your banker or your broker encourages you to buy United States Liberty Bonds, don't make the mistake of thinking that he has any selfish motives. The fact is that he does not make any commission whatever by selling these war bonds. On the contrary, all the work that a banker or a broker undertakes in connection with United States Liberty Bonds is at his own expense.

Seldom has any class of business shown finer patriotism than that of bankers and brokers. The federal government under great obligations to them for the high spirit of public duty they have shown, for the enthusiasm they have manifested in familiarizing a public with United States Liberty Bonds and in encouraging people to buy them.

Boy In the War?

Perhaps your boy, your brother, your sweetheart, some one you hold dear to your heart will be called into the war zone to risk his life for freedom, for liberty for America. War is no picnic, no play romp; it is terribly serious. Victories are almost never won by naked, disheartened troops. It is our wish that our boys shall have the food, the clothing, the arms, the ammunition, the



safeguards to reduce their danger to the minimum, to strengthen their spirits, to encourage them to victory? Then remember that you can help. To maintain and safeguard your boy at the front takes money. Our government needs that money now. To raise it quickly, to make victory sure, to shorten the war, to save your boy and your neighbor's boy, the government asks you to buy one or more Liberty bonds. These bonds can be bought for \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000. They pay interest, they are free from taxes, and you will get back the entire principal. Don't just sit around and wish for victory, peace and the safe return of the one you love. Buy as many Liberty bonds as you can and help to make your wishes come true.

For every \$100 a German earns, an American earns \$250. Put some of that \$250 in Kaiser-stopping United States Liberty bonds.

Embattled American
Farmer of Year 1917

Times change. In the Revolutionary war it was the "embattled farmers" who fired the shot heard round the world.

Today the American farmer is again doing something, that will be heard round the world, but in a different way.

The world is waiting on the American farmer for its food. Its hope is in him. It wishes him good weather and abundant crops, and it will pay him well.

The farmer will help win battles that he will never see. For our boys at the front will be well fed and courageous, thanks to his industry and patriotism.

Nor is the farmer's part in this world war—in this greatest catastrophe history has ever had to record—limited to producing food. He has his part to play before crops are ready for harvest. For right now, the nation needs the farmer's support in a different way. It needs his co-operation on Liberty bonds.

These bonds are issued to equip our soldier boys with everything they will need for their safety, comfort and fighting strength. The government will pay every bond buyer 3½ per cent interest, free from all taxes, and will return to him the entire principal. Liberty bonds are a safe, sure, profitable investment.

It is the hope of President Wilson that not a single farmer in the country will be seen without a Liberty bond button in his buttonhole.

Make The Almighty Dollar
Always Work For Liberty

Germany, Europe, the world, is watching the United States right now—more than ever before—awaiting news on the sale of Liberty bonds. Unless this bond issue is greatly oversubscribed by American men and women before June 15, Germany will sneer at all our high-sounding words about freedom, justice and the rights of mankind. In her eyes the almighty dollar will be our idol, and all our patriotism will be branded as hollow talk.

For nearly three years our newspapers, statesmen, preachers and educators have constantly declared that America has high ideals, that we stand for liberty, that we love mankind, that we hate tyranny, that we are slow to wrath, but mighty when aroused. Well, the time has come to prove whether these fine sayings are true.

Our government now puts us to the test. We are in the war. War takes money, and the government proposes to raise money by selling Liberty bonds to the American people. The question is: now up to you. You can buy on bond for \$50, or as many more as you desire. Liberty bonds are a perfectly safe investment.

The hour for American manhood and womanhood to act has come. It is here now. Subscribe at once for your Liberty bonds.

What would George Washington or Abraham Lincoln think of the American who failed to buy United States Liberty bonds?

Wealthiest Of All Nations
Is Our Own United States

The United States leads the world in the production of

Corn	Coal	Silver
Wheat	Petroleum	Aluminum
Oats	Pig iron	Zinc
Cotton	Steel	Cattle
Tobacco	Copper	

We have more than five times as much railway mileage as the country second in rank, Russia. Our exports



are 60 per cent greater than those of any other country on earth. Our wealth exceeds that even of the entire British Empire.

When you buy United States bonds you are buying the safest security ever sold, a security backed up by more wonderful natural resources than those of any other nation under the sun.

U. S. LIBERTY BOND

What It Is And How It's Bought—Information For Purchasers of Liberty Loan Bonds

A summary of the United States Liberty Loan of 1917 follows:
AUTHORIZED, \$5,000,000,000.
PRESENT ISSUE, \$2,000,000,000.
DATED June 15, 1917. Due June 15, 1947.

REDEEMABLE at the government's option after June 15, 1932. Payable in gold coin.

INTEREST 3½ per cent, payable June 15 and Dec. 15.

EXEMPT both as to principal and interest from all taxation, except estate or inheritance taxes.

BONDS COME in two forms, coupon or registered. Coupon bonds have principal and interest payable to bearer. Registered bonds have the owner's name registered with the government; interest is payable by check mailed direct from Washington. Form desired is optional with the purchaser.

COUPON bonds are in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000. Registered bonds are in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000, \$50,000 and \$100,000.

IF ANY SUBSEQUENT series of bonds (not including short term obligations) is issued by the United States, bearing a higher interest rate than 3½ per cent, before the end of the war, the holders of the present issue will have the privilege of converting, par for par, into the new bonds.

TERMS of payment. Application must be made on or before June 15, 1917, though the secretary of the treasury can close the books before the date at his discretion. Payment for the bonds must be made as follows: 2 per cent with application, the balance in four installments on specified dates, the last date Aug. 30. Other terms of payment can be arranged for, including down payment in full.

INTERIM certificates will be issued with the second installment payment. Delivery of the bonds themselves will be made as soon as practicable after June 28 to purchasers who have made full payment.

The Star Spangled Banner floats more proudly over every home that buys a United States Liberty Bond.

America is free. Her people are free. You are free to buy or not to buy United States Liberty Bonds. But you aren't free to wear a United States Liberty Bond button unless you own at least one United States Liberty Bond.

Send Us Your Job Printing.
We do Job Printing at Fair Prices.
Ask for Union Made Shoes.

"MADE IN AMERICA"

Enlist!

Enlist for America!

Enlist to keep American money in America for the benefit of Americans.

Enlist in the fight to boom "Made In America" products.

Enlist in the army of patriotic citizens of this great and peaceful land who believe in spending their money for American goods only so that they will benefit themselves and the poor man who is out of work.

Our
Query and
Reply
Department

Please define gross tonnage, net tonnage and displacement as applied to ships.

Gross Tonnage.—Official in United States and England is 100 cubic feet. Cubic contents of ship divided by 100 therefore give the gross tonnage.

Net Tonnage.—Cubic contents of ship's space taken up by crew quarters, engines, coal bunkers, etc., deducted from the gross leave the net tonnage. In an ordinary freighter the space not available for cargo is estimated roughly at one-third the gross, but in big liners built for speed and passenger service rather than freight carrying the unavailable space may be two-thirds of the total.

Freight Tonnage.—For bulky rather than heavy freight forty cubic feet of space are allowed for a ton. For freight of a heavy character charges are made according to weight.

Dead Weight Tonnage.—The exact amount of cargo a ship can carry without sinking too deep in the water.

Displacement Tonnage.—Referred to mostly in connection with warships. The amount of water displaced by a ship is, of course, equal in weight to the ship and all it contains. Since thirty-five feet of water weigh one ton the displacement tonnage is found by dividing by thirty-five the number of cubic feet of water displaced when the ship is immersed to load line.

Please give a description of Gibraltar.

Gibraltar is situated at the southernmost point of the province of Andalusia, Spain, and commands the entrance to the Mediterranean. It may be described as one large rock, having an area of 1½ square miles and rising abruptly to a height of 1,439 feet. This rock is heavily fortified. There is a deep harbor of 260 acres, which is large enough to supply the needs of the British Mediterranean fleet, of which Gibraltar is the principal base. The population is about 23,500, of which the garrison contributes over 4,000.

What book can you recommend containing information about the Samoan islands?

The London Missionary society issues a yearly publication called the "Kalena Samoa," which treats of these islands. There is also a book called "Samoa Uma." "Old Samoa," London, 1897, treats of the past of the islands, as does also "Samoa a Hundred Years Ago," London, 1884.

Have American vessels entered the barred zone proclaimed by the English, and are they doing so at present?

In the early part of the war American vessels did enter this zone, but have not done so for a long time and are not doing so at present.

What is meant or included by the term militia of the United States?

It means the possible fighting force of the country, whether organized or not. The new army law says, "The militia of the United States shall consist of all able-bodied male citizens of the United States and all other able-bodied males who have or shall have declared their intention to become citizens of the United States, who shall be more than eighteen years of age and, except as hereinafter provided, not more than forty-five years of age, and said militia shall be divided into three classes—the national guard, the naval militia and the unorganized militia." According to the census of 1910 the number of males in the United States between eighteen and forty-five years of age is approximately 21,000,000. Recent estimates have placed the number of reserve or unorganized militia at 20,500,000, and liberal exemptions for physical disability and other causes would still leave a large fighting force.

TENNESSEE

Interesting Events
From all Parts
of the State

Jackson.—Maj. Hal Holmes of Trenton, was the main orator at the annual celebration of Jefferson Davis' birthday by the Daughters of the Confederacy in Jackson.

Chattanooga.—Physicians and surgeons from various cities in the east and south are arriving here to enter the medical reserve officers' camp at Fort Oglethorpe.

Friendship.—The men of the town and community have decided to organize and drill at the school playgrounds under the leadership of those who have some knowledge of military tactics.

Chattanooga.—Maj. E. S. Walton, in charge of the construction of cantons at Fort Oglethorpe, held a conference with meat packers to discuss the building of a large refrigerator plant at the post.

Chattanooga.—Maj. Matthias Crowley of the Sixth Infantry, has been detailed as chief of police for a moral zone surrounding an army division mobilization camp recently occupied in Chickamauga park.

Jackson.—The first graduating exercises in the history of the academic department of Union university occurred last Saturday, when the seniors were presented diplomas by Prof. M. M. Summar, principal.

Bristol.—A large crowd witnessed the laying of the cornerstone of the first building of the new King college. The cornerstone was set in place by the graduating class of the present session and Mayor Faucett.

Knoxville.—Capt. H. W. Kingman, for the past two years professor of military science and tactics at the University of Tennessee, has received instructions to join the Eleventh U. S. Infantry at Douglas, Arizona.

Troy.—The biennial municipal election was held with the following result: Hon. G. R. McDade was elected mayor and Messrs. D. H. Burnett, J. W. Moffatt, J. W. Pressly, J. E. Moffatt and Dr. W. F. Roberts, aldermen.

Nashville.—Mayor Ewing has ordered the Nashville board of moving picture censors to prevent the showing of all films bearing on the war. The Nashville board is in communication with the national board in regard to the release of war films in the future.

Nashville.—During the month of May the U. S. army recruiting officer, Maj. W. N. Hughes, has accepted and sent to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., 151 recruits for the army. They are distributed as follows: Nashville 71, Clarksville 17, Columbia 18, Tullahoma 22, Cookeville 23.

Humboldt.—At the Liberty bond banquet given by Postmaster J. W. McGlathery to the employees of the Humboldt postoffice, including 11 rural route carriers, two city carriers, three clerks and the assistant postmaster, every employee of the Humboldt office subscribed for a Liberty loan bond.

Chattanooga.—It is announced at Ft. Oglethorpe that one field hospital and one ambulance company of the Tennessee national guard would be ordered to Oglethorpe for the new training camp for medical officers and medical enlisted men. This camp is to open for active work as soon as the large cantonment for that purpose is completed.

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